## **Memorandum**

Supplement to

Agenda Item No. 11A1



Date:

March 20, 2007

To:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County

Commissioners

From:

George M. Burgess

County Manage

Subject:

Supplement to Resolution Renaming the Miami-Dade Elections Department

Headquarters

This report is provided as a supplement to the resolution renaming the Miami-Dade Elections Department Headquarters the "Alicia Acosta-Thatcher Miami-Dade Elections Department Headquarters" and should be cross-referenced with Item 11A1 sponsored by Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.

Ms. Alicia Acosta-Thatcher began her career with the Miami-Dade Elections Department in 1973 and continued to work as an Elections Administrator for 32 years until she lost a long battle with renal complications on November 10, 2005.

Ms. Acosta-Thatcher was known to have encyclopedic knowledge of elections laws and procedures, and was held in high regard by subordinates, colleagues, county and municipal administrators and officials, including the Miami-Dade County Municipal Clerks' Association. In support of this effort and to honor the memory of Ms. Acosta-Thatcher, the Miami-Dade County Municipal Clerks' Association passed Resolution No. 2007-01 urging the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners to adopt the aforementioned resolution renaming the Elections Building (Attached).

Ms. Acosta-Thatcher's positive spirit and dedication to Miami-Dade County's electoral process did not wane despite diminishing health, displaying uncompromising commitment to public services and the deliverance of excellence. Ms. Acosta-Thatcher profoundly and indelibly touched the hearts and lives of countless Miami-Dade citizens.

Assistant County Manage

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MUNICIPAL CLERKS' ASSOCIATION SUPPORTING THE EFFORT OF THE MIAMI-DADE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT TO HAVE THEIR NEW FACILITY NAMED IN HONOR OF ALICIA ACOSTA-THATCHER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Alicia Acosta-Thatcher worked with the municipal clerks in Miami-Dade County for most of the 32 years she worked for the Miami-Dade County Elections Department; and

WHEREAS, everyone who worked with her quickly realized what a truly knowledgeable, reliable and all around great person she was; and

WHEREAS, Alicia Acosta-Thatcher passed away on November 10, 2005 from a long illness; and

WHEREAS, The Miami-Dade County Elections Department is presenting a resolution before the Board of County Commissioners requesting that their new facility in Doral be named the "ALICIA ACOSTA-THATCHER MIAMI-DADE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT HEADOUARTERS":

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MUNICIPAL CLERKS' ASSOCIATION AS FOLLOWS:

- SECTION 1. That the Miami-Dade Municipal Clerks' Association hereby supports the efforts of the Miami-Dade County Elections Department and its Director, Lester Sola, to obtain the approval of the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners in naming its new headquarters the "Alicia Acosta-Thatcher Miami-Dade Elections Department Headquarters".
- SECTION 2. That the Miami-Dade County Municipal Clerks' Association urges the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the resolution naming the headquarters building for Ms. Acosta-Thatcher.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2007.

MARIE O. SCHMIDT, CMC

PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

MEIOHAN RADER, CMC

SECRETARY